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FOR: USE OF GENETIC POLYMORPHISMS THAT ASSOCIATE WITH
EFFICACY OF TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY DISEASE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following preliminary amendments:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.